

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. 10/790,027
Applicant John A. Giordano *et al.*
Filed 2 March 2004
TC/Art Unit 1616
Examiner F.I. Choi

Docket No. 48508-00014
Customer No. 23767

Confirmation No. 9737

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

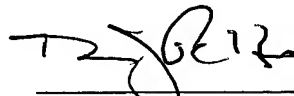
Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action, dated 11 August 2004, for three months from November 11, 2004 to February 11, 2005.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge \$510.00 (Small Entity), extension fees to undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1067. If any additional fees are required for an extension of time not accounted for, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to undersigned's deposit account.

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Respectfully submitted,

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